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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Legislation/OCA

ATTENTION: Paul Schilling

FROM: [REDACTED]
Director of Security

SUBJECT: Proposed DoD Report and Draft Legislation on
Personnel Security [REDACTED]

1. The Office of Security (OS) supports all of the revisions proposed by the Department of Defense (DoD) in its draft legislation dealing with personnel security. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] To date, OS's investigative capabilities have not been seriously hampered by the fee and fingerprint requirements levied by State governments since we rely heavily on local jurisdictions for much of our criminal history record information (CHRI). However, as more jurisdictions begin to impose these requirements, the attendant financial and manpower costs would obviously have a negative impact. [REDACTED]

2. [REDACTED] direct terminal access would provide an alternative in those states where we are currently conducting inquiries by mail or in person. Selective use of the system in states where the caseload is heavy, i.e., Maryland, Virginia, California, and the District of Columbia, would be a desirable option. [REDACTED]

3. Of critical concern is the impact on national security if CHRI is restricted due to financial or other considerations. This information is essential in adjudicating cases of individuals who are being considered for access to classified information or assignment to, or retention in, sensitive national security positions. [REDACTED]

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4. If you have any questions, please contact
 Chief, Policy Branch, PPS, OS on secure extension

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